PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKETING DEPARTMENT

NOTICE OF FILING

DOCKET NO. 2005-304-W

Suburban Water Company ("Petitioner") has petitioned the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") for permission to abandon Public Water System #325001, Suburban Water System, also known as Blacksgate Bundrick Subdivision.

The Petitioner currently serves approximately 20 customer accounts. According to the Petition, the customers have been informed that the Petitioner is seeking permission to abandon the system as soon as practicable and that they must find an alternative source of water. Further, the Petitioner is working with customers and the Department of Health and Environmental Control to find an alternative water provider for the remaining customers.

The Petition lists the following reasons for abandonment: the system is in need of immediate repair and Petitioner is unable to afford the cost of repairs; the system is without an operator of appropriate grade as required by state regulations and Petitioner is unable to afford the cost of an operator; the system is the subject of an enforcement action by the Department of Health and Environmental Control at whose direction this petition is being filed; and, Petitioner is no longer a viable company capable of being financially responsible for the water system.

A copy of the Company's Petition can be obtained from the Commission at the following address: Public Service Commission of South Carolina, Docketing Department, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210. Additionally, the Application is available on the Commission's website at www.psc.sc.gov. and is available from Darren E. Stevens, Owner, Suburban Water Company, 1213 Brady Porth Road, Lexington, South Carolina 29071.

A public hearing, if scheduled, will be held in Columbia, South Carolina in the offices of the Commission at the above address, for the purpose of receiving testimony and other evidence from all interested parties regarding this Petition. The time and date of this hearing will be furnished to all interested parties at a later date.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **November 18, 2005**, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please include an email address for receipt of future Commission correspondence in the Petition to Intervene. *Please refer to Docket No. 2005-304-W*.

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing, if scheduled, should notify the Docketing Department in writing at the address below, Office of Regulatory Staff, Post Office Box 11263, Columbia, South Carolina 29211 and Darren E. Stevens, at the above address, on or before **November 18, 2005,** and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. *Please refer to Docket No. 2005-304-W*.

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Any person who wishes to be notified of the hearing, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department in writing at the address below on or before **November 18**, **2005**. *Please refer to Docket No. 2005-304-W*.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding <u>MUST</u> present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100.

Public Service Commission of South Carolina Attn: Docketing Department Post Office Drawer 11649 Columbia, South Carolina 29211

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